

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:
 Hiroyasu KURASHINA
 Serial No: 09/826,408
 Filed: April 3, 2001
 For: TAPE CARTRIDGE, TAPE PRINTING METHOD,
 TAPE PRINTING APPARATUS, AND LABEL-
 PRODUCING METHOD



Art Unit: 2622
 Examiner: Mark R. Milia

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- Small entity status has been claimed. See 37 CFR § 1.27.
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TOTAL CLAIMS FEE	18	-20	43	**	LG=\$50 SM=\$25	\$50
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS FEE	3	-3	8	***	LG=\$200 SM=\$100	\$200
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS						LARGE ENTITY FEE = \$360 SMALL ENTITY FEE = \$180
ADDITIONAL SIZE FEE (IF ANY) (TOTAL PAGES OF SPEC AND DRAWINGS TOGETHER)						\$250 FOR EACH ADDITIONAL 50 SHEETS
						TOTAL \$ 0

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Respectfully submitted,
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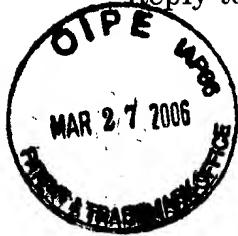
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of January 30, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.